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Massachusetts Board of Allied Mental Health & Human Service Professions Board Meeting Minutes November 18, 2016

Present:

William Ahearn, Chair
I. Scott Cohen, Member
Michael Dorsey, Member
Mary Jenewin- Caplin, Public Member
Steven Kaplan, Member
Jacqueline Gagliardi, Member
Amy Vercillo, Member
Karen Enegess, Member

Board Staff:

Jim O'Connor, Board Counsel Eboni Lewis, Administrative Assistant

Absent:

Dawn Parks, Member Marilyn Dean, Member Cynthia Belhumeur, Public Member Susan Egan, Member

10:30 AM Board meeting called to order and an emergency exit announcement was made.

Minutes: The October meeting minutes were tabled for approval.

Investigative Conference

10:35 AM I. Karen E. moved to suspend the open meeting to enter into Investigative Conference pursuant to M.G.L. Chapter 112, Section 65C, to discuss the following complaints: MH 2016-0608, MH 2016-029, MH 2016-0610, 2016-000750-IT-ENFThe motion was seconded by Scott C. and unanimously approved by the Board.

11:10 AM: Return to Open Session: while in Investigative Conference the Board made the following determinations:

MH-2016-0608 Tabled
MH-2016-029 Dismissed
MH-15-011 Dismissed
MH-2016-0610 Dismissed
2016-000750-IT-ENF Dismissed

2016-000751-IT-ENF Dismissed w/Advisory

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Discussion Items:

- The Board reviewed and discussed the AMFTRB Committee's review of ESL accommodations.
 A motion was made by Jacqueline G. to approve AMFTRB ESL accommodations. The motion was seconded by Steven K. All in favor
- 2. The Board reviewed all application decisions made by the application review committees and Board staff from October 21, 2016 to present. Michael D., motioned to ratify all application decisions. The motion was seconded by Jacqueline G. All in favor
- 3. Delegations of Authority

Voted: To grant the Board's Executive Director, Associate Executive Director, and the Division of Professional Licensure's Deputy Director for Policy and Boards the authority to sign on behalf of the Board Order to Show Cause Notices, Consent Agreements and Final Decisions, consistent with terms established by the Board, and to sign off on case closings.

Voted: The Board hereby ratifies and adopts the delegation of a hearings counsel to act as a presiding officer for all adjudicatory proceedings conducted pursuant to 801 CMR for all cases where the Board has voted to issue an Order to Show cause, Summary Suspension Order, Denial of License or other adjudicatory matter or where an Order to Show Cause has been or will be issued.

Voted: To delegate authority to the Executive Director, in consult with the Chairperson, to issue a written order of summary suspension pending a 10-day hearing pursuant to G.L. c. 112, § 65B, after determining, based on sworn affidavits and documentary evidence, that licensee's continued practice poses an immediate and serious threat to the public health, safety or welfare.

Voted: To delegate Board authority to the Board's Executive Director, Associate Executive Director and the DPL Deputy Director for Policy and Boards to sign and execute Final Decisions and Orders by Default revoking licensees who Default or in the case of lapsed licenses revoking the right(s) to renew that license(s).

Voted: To delegate authority to a Complaint Subcommittee to review and dispose of new cases that come before the Board. The Complaint subcommittee shall be comprised of a majority of the appointed Board members.

Voted: to form a standards Committee for each license type of the Board as follows:

- a. LMHC Karen E., Dawn P. and Public member
- b. LMFT- Jaqueline G., Scott C., and Public member
- c. LABA- William A., Michael D., and Public member
- d. LEP- Steven K., Susan E., and Public member
- e. LRC- Amy V., Marilyn D., and Public member

An omnibus motion to approve the above delegations was made by Michael D. and seconded by Jacqueline G. the motion passed unanimously.

- 4. LMHC application #5170 L.P. was presented to the Board as the applicant has failed to meet the regulation requirements. A motion was made by Michael D. to deny the application. The motion was seconded by Scott C.
- LMHC application #3016 A.F. was presented to the Board as the applicant has failed to meet the regulation requirements. A motion was made by Michael D. to deny the application. The motion was seconded by Scott. C

6. LMHC application review policy was presented to the Board in regards to applicants with deficient education requirements and beginning post master's clinical experience. A motion was made by Jacqueline G. to approve the policy. The motion was seconded by Michael D.

Meeting adjourned at 12:14 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Ms. Eboni Lewis Administrative Assistant

List of documents:

- Approved applicants list
- AAMFT ESL Accommodation Application